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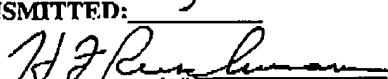
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**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

Please enter the Amendment after Final Rejection under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on February 28, 2006.

Please charge the fee of \$395.00 for the Request for Continued Examination in accordance with the PTO Form 2038, Credit Card Payment form, provided herewith.

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